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25X1A COUNTRY REPORT NO. Iran/Poland 15 October 1953 DATE DISTR. **SUBJECT** Contract for Sale of Iranian Manganese to Centrozap of Poland NO. OF PAGES 25X1A REQUIREMENT NO. DATE OF INFO. **REFERENCES** PLACE ACQUIRED 25X1) SOL

- 1. Sebooh Aslanian, of Avenue Shah, Naderi Rue Nowbahar 12, Tehran, recently contracted for the sale of 500 tons of manganese ore to Centrozap of Stalinogrod, Poland. This quantity of ore is to be taken from a lot of 4,500 tons which are lying in the Khorramshahr railroad yard. The 4,500 tons are in the possession of Shernat Karoon of Khorramshahr.
- 2. The manganese is divided into two piles, one lumpy and one fine. Seventy percent of the Polish shipment is to be lumpy, and 30 percent is to be fine. The ore was not shipped as of 24 September 1953.

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2. The manganese mine at Ribat-i-Karim is located on the Trans-Iranian Railway line, and it is possible that the stockpile of mined ore may have been shipped directly via this route to Khorramshahr rail yards.